

I fully support a 2.8 kHz bandwidth for SSB with suppressed carrier. It is a well known fact that the use of wideband SSB audio has gotten out of hand because of poor operating practices. Some individuals not only drive their transmitters with a tremendous amount of low frequency audio response, but they also tamper with their transmitter RF circuitry to be as wide as possible. The end result, when driving a high-power amplifier, is increased intermodulation products which cause interference to adjacent frequencies. The only way to eliminate these poor operating practices is to establish standards to keep this under control. As for establishing similar standards for AM, this part of the petition should not be included in a NPRM because more work needs to be done as to whether a 5.6 kHz bandwidth can actually be achieved.